



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date: December 30, 2005

In re the Application of

Hiroshi KATSURABAYASHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 3623

Application No.: 09/386,339

Examiner: S. MEINECKE DIAZ

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Docket No.: 104122

For: OPTIMUM OPERATOR SELECTION SUPPORT SYSTEM

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired November 30, 2005, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 174731 in the amount of \$120.00 in payment for:

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